







## THE ONCE OVER

by James W. Stinebaugh

LAST Sunday I took out a couple of girls. Single girls they were. Their combined ages totaled about one hundred and twenty years. You would commonly call them old maids. Maybe you would expect them to be different from the sillies of seventeen. But they weren't very. They gossiped a little, one had a compact in her purse, they discussed companionate marriage frankly, and they told about the boy friends they had begotten for dates—forty years ago.

IN the course of the conversation I was boosting the stock of a few ancestors of which I am very, very proud. One of the girls came in with, "You remind me of a turnip." I asked her what turnips had to do with ancestors. "The best part of you," she said, "is underground." A bit later on though I secretly had the laugh on them. They grew very earnest in their condemnation of people who did nothing for posterity.

I'VE talked about cleaners before. There is one at Sixteenth and Valencia streets that advertises "no price." In other words the customer makes his own. It is just a new device in the cleaners' war which is still waging fiercely. At the same time I'm still backward about sending an overcoat and two suits and telling them to keep the dime in the vest pocket. There might be a catch; price does not only mean "the quantity of one thing that is exchanged for another."

THERE is another store at Hermann and Steiner streets near the college. The proprietor is the male counterpart of Heppelbush of "The House of the Seven Gables." His store is dust from cash register to ice box. He sells as though each article were a souvenir of his home. He hates to see things leave. His register is no index of activity. It opens with a dull thud, the lint flies, a few coins are visible, and it is not certain that the drawer will slide back.

THE old proprietor walks with a quick-step shuffle. When you enter, his greeting is usually, "Good evening, sir," any time during the day. He operates the cash register by pushing one finger upon the other down upon the keys. He doesn't always use it. There's a little sub-counter shelf which often holds the money. Characters are not only in books.

"IN this day and age of speed," "in this period of change," "in this changing era"—how often we hear statesmen and speakers use phrases like those. Yet it seems to me that the ages are not much different from each other. They have all been of the changing and startling nature. What must the people of England have thought when a few of His Majesty's colonies defied the mother country? What must the French nobility have thought when the guillotine began operating night and day? What must early man have thought when the first fires were blazing? What must the European monarchs have thought when Columbus returned with all bona fide Indians? They must all have thought and said to their neighbors, "This is a period of great change."

THERE seems to be a real war between local music societies. One is Sigma Nu or Moo. The other is Epsilon Mu. The Sigmas are armed to the teeth and are ready to do battle. Their first campaign includes one of the biggest and most spectacular events ever presented on this campus. It seems that they have the edge with recognition by the existing music department. As long as the din of the encounter never gets any worse than something like Herbert's or Strauss's melodies, on with the jousting.

A LITTLE bird told me: A few of the boys have taken to cutting grid practice(?)

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## Welcoming Tea Given By Scribes

Miss Becknell, President, Miss Olson, Sponsor, In Reception Line

With a tea, scheduled for tomorrow, the Scribes Club, college literary society, will formally launch the activities of the semester. The tea is in honor of new members and is being held to familiarize students interested in writing with the club's program. Invitations have been sent to students who have signed their interest in writing. Students who are interested but have not yet received invitations are urged to send their names and box numbers to George Nell Becknell, president of the club, and they will be added to the list of guests.

Harriet Masson, chairman of the tea, announces that the affair will be held from four to six in the Activities room. The program will include a welcome by Miss Becknell and a talk by Miss Vivian Olson, the new club sponsor. Dr. Elias T. Arnesen will speak on "Creative Writing."

At their last meeting the Scribes initiated a new policy in keeping with the present economic situation. They voted to suspend all dues for the coming semester in order to encourage students who are interested but unable to meet the dues to add their names to the club roster.

Gail Andrews, former Scribe's Club president, made a motion that at least one poem or prose article be read at each meeting. The club voted to accept this suggestion. The selection to be read will be chosen from the collection in charge of the club librarian. The Scribes are an informal group. There are no compulsory attendance rules and the meetings will prove thoroughly enjoyable to students interested in poetry or prose writing.

## Dr. Roberts Is Lecturer On Carnegie Report

At the Commonwealth Club of California, August 24, Dr. Alexander Roberts, president of State, gave an address on the subject: "Report of the Carnegie Foundation on Higher Education in California." Higher Education in California.

## Alumnae Return To School Rooms

Helen Ost, a graduate of M'32, is now studying at the University of California, working toward her M.A. Miss Ost is residing at the International House.

Three San Francisco State Teachers College students, Helen Kraus, Evelyn Lagomarsino Pellagrini, and Marie Cantler are now teaching in the General Pershing school in Daly City.

Victorine Murphy, who has recently returned from a trip to Europe, has just been appointed to a junior high school in San Francisco.

Natalie Mayo is working in the main branch of the San Francisco Children's Library. Miss Mayo is social chairman for the Phi Lambda Chi alumni.

Bernice McKinnon, Ruth McCullough and Orenda Woods are teaching in primary grades of Lawrence school, San Mateo.

Emily Perdee is the teacher in charge of the Laguna Honda kindergarten.

In the summer of 1931 Lorraine Swetzer, December '28, was married to Kenneth Plough. Mrs. Plough is teaching in the McKinley school in San Francisco.

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## Evans Joins Speech Arts Department

Has Done Radio Work For Dobbie and Other Programs

Teeth poking out of a pair of blue lips, one eye flat yet bulging—the other overgrown with coarse sandy-colored hair, a tangled shock of dirty-grey hair over an odd-shaped head, and a raucous lisp for a voice—that's Mr. Edmund Evans, our new dramatic assistant. At least, that was the way he appeared after he had made himself up for his students of cosmetics last Tuesday. Caught in repose, he is a neat and pleasant looking gentleman—happily married and very much occupied with dramatics.

Is Radio Man

Mr. Evans is with us to assist Miss Casebolt, especially in the art of cosmetics and stagecraft. He will plan the staging of the College Theatre's first production, "East Lyna." As well, he directs a course titled "The Theatre Workshop" given at the University of California Extension. He writes the continuity of the "Dobbie" radio program, and is "Ed" of the "Ed and Dickey" skit on the Saturday "Dobbie" program. At the University at Berkeley he conducts two classes, one on radio broadcasting and the other on writing and producing for the radio. In other words, he knows his game and is very much devoted to it.

Has Directed Players

In the past Mr. Evans has been the assistant director of the School of the Theatre in New York. The institution is a top-notch among schools of drama. He has taken leading roles in several Broadway productions, and was the director of the stock company "The Evans Players." Two years on the Keith-Orpheum circuit with a headliner act contributed a little more to his fund of experience, as well as some time devoted to high school teaching in Utah.

And so State has another distinct and interesting personality added to its faculty list—good luck and success, Mr. Evans!

## Engagement Of Former Co-Ed Told

The engagement of Miss Esther Olson, formerly a student of State, to Mr. James Henningson, a contractor from Sebastopol, was revealed today by friends.

Miss Olson was a member of the high sophomore class here, and also very prominent in Glee Club work. She moved from San Francisco to Portland with her parents during the early part of the summer where her father, who is a minister, will take over the Norwegian Danish Methodist Church.

Miss Olson and her sister Grace, who has been teaching in Coupeville, Washington, for the past two years, will be married in a double wedding ceremony on the tenth of September. Miss Esther Olson and her husband will make their home on a small ranch just out of Sebastopol.

## Art Classes Are Steadily Improving

"The art classes this term are," according to Miss Evelyn S. Mayer, assistant professor of art, "jammed full." The art 4 class, which deals with the public school art especially, has three full classes in place of the regular two. The upper division sections are steadily increasing in size, and art 10 is the best class ever had, as every student in it has completed the prerequisite art 4, and as a result much better work is anticipated. "I feel that the art department is improving every year," were the closing words of Miss Mayer.

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## Pryor Pleads Support In Student Government

To the Student Body:

This communication is addressed to those backward individuals who stubbornly refuse to recognize the fact that State is a college and not a "glorified high school," individuals who conduct themselves as if they were incapable of independent action. Heaven knows that meeting the demands of as assorted a group as we find in a college of this type is difficult enough without having to constantly combat the childish notions of this small minority. A great many students enter these halls with preconceived notions as to how college affairs should be run, ignoring the fact that definite procedures have been established before they came, and will still be established after they have gone.

The student administration finds itself blocked on every side by individuals who, with more brawn than brains, insist on opposing every move of your student government. The inference is that your government is incapable of handling the situation.

I refer to individuals who, in spite of direct constitutional ruling to the contrary, oppose themselves to certain laws as laid down in that constitution. Many of them, flouting your student government, carry these controversies to the offices of the faculty. If I may be quite frank, a student government which is not capable of handling those problems which directly concern it should be put out of its misery.

Again, certain students who have attained the honor of representing their class on the executive board, disdainfully absent themselves from meetings. It is observed, however, that such individuals are ever the first to cry out against any policies adopted by the board.

Finally, certain groups, nominally dependent organizations, have set themselves up as final authority in matters of student body policy. Again I say, "Why have a student government?" If every group or any student who happens to feel dissatisfied, arbitrarily assumes administrative power, how can we hope to build constructively? Can we ever hope to see a united student body? Can we ever hope to present a good appearance alongside our sister colleges who, in general, are not disturbed in these matters?

I appeal to the Associated Students, through the medium of this article, to move with us, to cease opposing everything that we try to do in a constructive way, lest we lose all possibilities of becoming a successful organization, and become mere dummies for show.

DONALD A. PRYOR,  
President Associated Students.

## Apology Due Roy C. Cave On Misquote

The Golden Gate wishes to correct the impression made by a recent article arising out of an interview with Dr. Roy C. Cave. Due to a misunderstanding of his remarks by a new reporter, he was misquoted as stating that members of the faculty were ignorant of economic and social problems, and there were further misstatements concerning his attitude toward the student body.

Dr. Cave's actual statement was that students who go out and teach and return to State, show as a usual thing a greater interest in economic problems as a result of their experience and greater maturity.

He also called attention to the value of certain senior courses in the social science fields as an aid to students in obtaining a working knowledge in a given field. "While boys," he stated, "had the advantage of a better background in economics, nevertheless, my best students in this field thus far have been girls."

## Gum Chewer Is A Class Menace

We've discovered Miss Effie McFadden's pet aversion. It's chewing gum in class!

Miss McFadden contends that a student of hygiene cannot possibly be addicted to such a habit and pass the course. She has an excellent example of a young lady who was warned repeatedly, both privately and publicly, but who still persisted in the habit. Miss McFadden explained that the young lady didn't pass the course—"she retired from class."

However, gum-chewing has its place. In the football stadium, Miss McFadden threatens to rival the best of you in the art. It might be a good idea to try rooting to the rhythmic accompaniment of overworked jaws, but not in Miss McFadden's classroom!

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## Cupid Scores Heavily Among S.T.C. Graduates

Coming as a pleasant surprise to her many friends at State is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Margaret Lucille Petray to Dr. Elbert Huntley Smith at Stockton, California, on Saturday, August 6. It will be remembered that Miss Petray was the first to be appointed chairman of the advisory council, and one of our most prominent students. She was a member of the class of '32 and graduated in May of this year.

Another event of unusual interest is the romance of Miss Grace Smith and Mr. Benjamin F. Ryder, which culminated in their marriage at Reno, Nevada, on Monday, August 22. Mrs. Ryder was a transfer student from the University of California, where she was affiliated with the Beta Sigma Omicron sorority, and secured her A.B. from State at the close of summer session 1931. She had had two years of teaching experience in Lower Lake, Lake County, where she and her husband intend to make their home.

Other brides of this season are Mrs. Edmund A. Doyle, the former Florence Mulahy, who graduated from State in '29, and Miss Mary Ann Hemenway, whose wedding to Mr. Paul Vincent Sheehan took place on August 19 at the Chapel of the Flowers in Berkeley. Mr. Sheehan is a member of the faculty at Fresno State Teachers College.

Invitations have been issued for the wedding of Miss Genevieve Contee, a former student, whose wedding to Mr. McCoy Jones will take place September 8 in Oakland.

## Speech Training Class Is Started

Miss Lilla B. McKenzie has established a new course in the principles of speech training. This announcement is of vital importance to all students interested in dramatics, in debating, or any form of voice culture. It has been stated by Miss McKenzie that this course is the foundation of speech training and necessary for all students aspiring to be elocution teachers or instructors in voice culture. The course includes an elementary study of scientific principles of speech training and their practical application to the improvement of everyday speech.

Mrs. Lucy Weeks, president of the club, urges all members to be present and extends an invitation to the faculty and student body to come and hear the story of Mrs. Dorris' trip to Mexico this summer.

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## Ed Cockrum Urges Class To Turn Out

Frosh Preparing Class Program For Term; Dance Is Planned

"Come on, frosh, show up at these class meetings! We're a part of you, so make yourself a part of us. And don't forget these meetings are for women students as well as men," says Ed Cockrum, president of the low freshman class.

Despite the fact of the large gap in the last meeting, there is a great deal of interest in athletics for the men. Eight of them are going out for the cross-country run, a number are going out for football, and tennis is also very well represented.

The forthcoming brawl, one of the highlights of the football season, is a leading topic at the present moment. Everyone is waiting with a great deal of anticipation. Miss Green and Mrs. Rodgers have very kindly consented to make posters for all freshman activities.

In keeping with the season, the first dance of the semester will probably be a football affair. This social function is to be completely handled by the freshmen. Further discussion on this matter will be brought up at the next meeting.

All notices concerning meeting dates will be posted outside of College Hall and also outside of the Co-op—therefore, leaving no excuse for any freshman not knowing about the meetings.



Low Freshmen will meet their advisors on Thursday at eleven o'clock.

High Freshman students will attend meeting with minors departments on Thursday at eleven o'clock.

Low Sophomores will meet with department representative heads at eleven o'clock on Thursday.

High Sophomores will attend the meeting on Thursday at eleven o'clock with the heads of their minor departments.

Low Juniors should call at the Registrar's office for application for admission to professional training.

High Juniors should call at the Registrar's office for application for admission to professional training.

Low Seniors should file application for directed teaching assignments with recorder.

High Seniors should file application for directed teaching assignment with recorder. High seniors should also file application for graduation.

## Mrs. Dorris Tells Of Mexican Trip

Unique and varied experiences in the remote regions of Mexico will be discussed by Mrs. Anna V. Dorris in an address before the Franciscan Dame's Club, Friday. The meeting is scheduled for 12:00 and will be held in room 211 of College Hall.

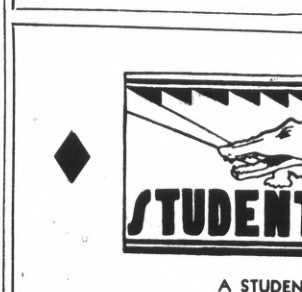
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## Frosh Pens Drivel To Clog Post Boxes

## H. Barsotti Is Appointed School Head

Mr. Henry Barsotti, a former student of State, recently received an appointment as principal of a school at Fort Bidwell in Modoc County. Mr. Barsotti's duties in this official capacity start on September 1st.

While at State, Mr. Barsotti made a notable record, and was well liked by the faculty and students. During his last semester, he was president of the International Club. Under his leadership the club progressed rapidly.

After graduating in the fall of 1931, Mr. Barsotti attended Stanford University to take a degree in administration.

## Lively Campus Topics Featured By Delta Sigma

Inaugurating a new policy, that all new members entering Delta Sigma submit a question suitable for discussion by next Friday was passed upon by this body at a meeting held last Monday at 12:30.

Emory Cretzer, president of the organization, stressed the fact that even though all members could not possibly participate in inter-collegiate debating they could at least gain the principles of the art by attending the meetings. Light topics will be the subject of weekly discussions so that those attending can display their elocution talents in hopes of making the varsity debate squad.

The meeting date has been changed, by popular request, to Fridays at 12:30. This will enable students to remember to attend meetings instead of forgetting them on blue Monday.

Mr. King, debate coach, as a final word stated:

"The debate group wishes to invite all those who are interested in live problems on campus life, economics, literature, politics, or other burning questions of the day. Do not be bashful, but come out and help us with your side of these problems."

## Mr. King Starts As Debate Coach

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## Professor Takes Alaskan Vacation

Miss Edith A. Pickard of the biological science department saw a good deal of North America on her vacation. She visited Alaska and the Canadian Rockies, and then proceeded east to Chicago, where she visited the buildings of next year's world fair. Before returning to San Francisco, she witnessed the Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

Miss Pickard has been breaking records in the science department here at school this term. For the first time in the history of the department, she is teaching two divisions of advanced zoology in the same term. In order to satisfy the special requirements of the physical education majors.

## New Golden West Market

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## Frivolous Letters Take Valuable Time of Paid Assistants

By BERNARD FOLLETT

The unique post box system employed at State has many benefits it is argued, but for every benefit it is said that there is an abuse. The following letter is one which was placed in the post box of the correspondent by mistake, and in order to get it to the rightful person we are reproducing it here as there were no names mentioned in the epistle.

But this is a sample of much of the stuff that fills the boxes, and is one argument in favor of doing away with the system. Obviously the letter was from one frosh to another concerning the reception . . . but what stuff to occupy the minds of alleged collegians. It must be remembered that the student body pays out of its funds some \$702.00 each year to handle this drivel, along with some necessary notices. Seven hundred and two dollars would promote a lot of athletics. But here's the letter:

Dear Pooky (Hont Us):

I tried on my black formal then my white and decided on my blue informal with the jacket—the one I wore to your installation.

At present I'm listening to Anson Weeks. I've been trying to go to bed for hours. Fully an hour ago I went to the "Lib"—drew some sketches of "Lids"—came home—drew some in India ink—finished.

Mrs. P . . . brought mother a cake—her birthday. Dad and I gave her flowers. B . . . didn't write her yet—I'm out of the "dog house."

Friday night our Sunday school teacher is having her class up for dinner. I'm not so hot for the affair. Guess I'll have to go.

Saturday I hope to go out with Howard. I'm going to see him tomorrow before I meet M . . . M . . . and go get the pictures took.

I'm getting sleepy so you judged by the writing a long time ago.

NICO (demon)  
TILLIE

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## Brawl Is Okehed For September 2

# Gater Sports

## Noon Dances To Start Tomorrow

### Gridders Speed Up Old Gait

Pigskin Packers Display  
Class in Speeding  
To Blaze

By HARRY MARKS

Because our most accomplished writer, Kirk L. Truman, failed to turn in the copy for this column it became necessary for this writer to turn columnist. No doubt Mr. Truman was so busy with his many engagements that he completely forgot his "weekly" contribution to the sport page. The laugh will surely be on you, Kirk, if Walter Winchell hears of this.

Several of our football men were seen burning up the pavement the other night in a mad dash to a fire. If some of these fellows would show as much speed at practice Coach Cox would get a sore neck watching them "zip" by. Maybe setting fire to the opposition's goal posts would hasten our gridders' march to the "zero line."

#### AMAZED OR AMUSED?

A crowd of youngsters may be seen daily at Recreation Park watching our gridders at practice. One wonders whether these future Nohans, Dierkes, Traegers and Walls are amused by the players' antics or amazed at their skill.

The Block "S" dinner last Monday night was most successful. Everybody that was there made a speech. Of course, some speeches were better than others, and some fellows didn't say anything at all, but all in all, all had a good time. Walter Drysdale had enough to eat!

Evidently our coaching staff doesn't believe in overwork. The other afternoon at the freshman reception Coach Cox spent one-half of the hour "how-de-doing" with the freshmen while Coach Farmer relieved him in the second half.

#### SCRAPS...

The punting scene is a battle between Donnell, Kaufman, and Donahue. Donnell, still far from his form of last year, will have to work.

Passing is in the hands of Thaler, Kaufman, Bragg, and Gschwend. The receivers line-up: Heckman, Nickerson, Dierke and Tschier.

For safety man vote for one: Thaler, Kaufman, or Heckman. Shiftest: Mossesian or Nathan. With injured shoulder: Walter Drysdale.

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# Coach Cox Names Starting Line-Up

## Cross-Country Men Enter Tribune Run On September 10

Davis, Sebastian, Bell, Fox and Smith Expected To  
Offer Strong Competition for Cup  
Given To First Five Finishers

Headed by Dick Curtis, a State squad of cross-country men will journey to the shores of Lake Merritt on Saturday, September 10, where the Oakland Tribune is staging its annual hill and dale classic. About fifteen prospective State marathoners have signified their intentions of starting in this yearly event, according to Davis, and will compete for the first time under the Purple and Gold banner.

Davis, a member of the Olympic Club for the past six years, is a runner worthy of note. In 1931 he helped the Post Street aggregation capture the team prize in the annual cross-city race. He ran the distance in 46 minutes 24 seconds. In the P.A.A. championships held in April of the same year, he captured second place with the time of 34 minutes flat for the six-mile course. His strong finish in the Senior P.A.A. cross-country race, held on October 2 over a nine-mile course, gave him a third place though he was competing against some of the best runners in the state.

The early part of this year found the sturdy little ground-coverer moving up to sixth place in the annual cross-city run. His time was 44 minutes 39 seconds, bettering his time of the year before by more than two minutes. On June 4, in the P.A.A. championships, Davis raced into second place in both the 10,000 and 5,000 meter grinds.

Among the experienced starters for the Gaters will be: Allan Bell, Stan Smith, Dave Fox, and Phil Sebastian. These four men, along with Davis, can be figured on to make a strong bid for the trophy offered for the first team placing five men. Davis expects his squad to also have a chance at the cup offered for the greatest number of out-of-town finishers.

It will not be necessary for entrants to sprint the entire race. Contestants will be allowed to walk around the course and still remain eligible for the trophy going to the team having the most men finish.

Team practice is held every Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. New members are welcome.

Coach David J. Cox has stressed the fact that every entrant in this race should be in the best possible condition. He added that tentative meets will be scheduled with the University of California, Stanford, the Olympic Club and other outside schools of the bay district.

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### Signals Called By Telephone Is New Plan

Something will have to be done! Men are being clipped that aren't in the way of the play at all, passes are being caught that aren't there, reverses have turned to passes and the men that are supposed to be doing the kicking are often seen valiantly leading the interference on an end run.

No wonder the coaching staff is getting "woozy." If the men keep mixing up their signals, the coaches, too, will start having "brainstorms." Coach Cox might eliminate all of this confusion by installing a public address system, by means of which he can call signals from the sidelines. The players might be provided with field phones in order to keep the signals as much under cover as possible. (Wow, if somebody should tap the wires!)

This novel system would eliminate the worries of harried coaches throughout the country, whose quarterbacks are calling punt formations when passes are in order or throwing wild passes while on their opponent's one-yard line. The beauty of this idea is that the coaches would not even have to attend the games. They could stay at home and direct the plays by telephone from their bedsides.

We might have to install this system with such men as Bragg, Nathan, Mossesian, Simon, Curtis, Alderman, and Allee as aspiring quarterbacks.



COACH  
COX'S  
Comments

We have, in San Francisco State Teachers College, an increase in the number of men students, but it is certainly obvious that we do not have an increase in participation in extra-curricular activities in the same proportion.

"Great Wooden Wall" enclosing our campus from Buchanan street is not a beautiful sight in itself; however, with campus shrubbery in the form of lazy students, cigarette fiends, venerable sheiks, and general worshippers of the great sun god, Sol, indulging in daily sunbaths and other forms of Utopian life, it is time that we should score them critically in this column.

I will quote only a few of the extra-curricular physical activities which our college offers to its men students: football, basketball, golf, tennis, boxing, wrestling, and general gymnastic exercises. Now, if any student feels he cannot benefit more by these sports he is off on the wrong track.

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### Basketball Prospects On Upturn

Large Squad of Veterans  
Expected to Report  
For Hoop Squad

What is predicted for State in the field of basketball this season? Without any reasonable doubt the coming basketball season will be the greatest in the history of the college. In the past Coach Cox has had to play the part of a miracle man. He succeeded in turning out a satisfactory basketball team, notwithstanding the fact, he had little or no support and a limited amount of material. Coach Cox will not have the same discouraging experience this season for he and his staff, Coaches Harden and Farmer are abundantly blessed with good players. With practically all of the veteran players and an indefinite number of freshman eligibles ready to swing into action, the Gaters promise to give all opponents an interesting time.

#### Practice In November

According to Ted Goldman, athletic manager, basketball practice will start during the latter part of November. The following veterans are expected to report: Henry, Kaufman, Mahoney, Oliver, Donohue, Stone, McGrew, Mendelsohn, Bell and Nickerson.

### New Sports Ushered In By W. A. A.

Managers Urge Girls To  
Sign Up For New  
P. E. Program

Under the management of a new chairman, Julia Merrell, the W.A.A. opened the social activities of the semester with the traditional Freshman Spread on Wednesday, August 19. Babe Gettemy, president of the organization, and Miss Florence Hale, head of the physical education department, welcomed the new students. Refreshments were served after an enjoyable afternoon of games and peppy yells, led by Ann Dunn. Other entertainment was provided by the different classes.

W.A.A. sports have started with a bang. Field hockey was ushered in last week as two teams of feminine enthusiasts flashed sticks in mad pursuit of the elusive white ball, amid clouds of dust on the lower playground. Although it is the first organized women's sport to get under way this season, hockey has not yet attracted a large number of players. Barbara Mason, hockey manager, urges all women, experienced or otherwise, to come out on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the good time and exercise afforded by the game.

Regardless of ability, all girls are invited to enter into W.A.A. activities where they may be assured of clean competition and skillful instruction.

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Officers Installed

Another affair, namely a dinner party, was held by the society last Monday evening in the activities room. The installation of new officers and speeches by each of State's coaches were featured at the dinner. Music for the occasion was furnished by Dick Hull's orchestra and yells were led by Dick Curtis.

Jim Dierke, president, requests that the members wear their sweaters tomorrow for the dance, and also that they get all their dues in as soon as possible.

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### PICKS TEAM



SPORT  
FLASHES

To tutor the tutor was the foremost idea in the mind of Jim Dierke, high mogul of the Block "S" Society, last Thursday afternoon. After Dr. Elias T. Arnesen, associate professor of English and would-be tennis player, made three complete misses while trying to serve the ball, Dierke decided that this could go on no longer.

Our teachers had a reputation to consider. So he proceeded to tutor. The first lesson dealt with three sure cures for the habits of throwing the ball over the head while serving and trying to impersonate Grandma chopping wood while swinging at the misplaced ball.

Bobbie Jones, king of the golf links, has swung his last club in competitive golf. He confided to friends that it would take more than wild horses to drag him back to competition. "I've had my fill of it," he said, "I did what I wanted to do, let someone else do it now." Not wanting to make golf his business or make a business of golf, he has chosen the dignity of retirement rather than become a promoter, entertainer, and general exhibitionist.

Los Angeles wants a major league baseball club. As Los Angeles is the fourth largest city in the United States, the junior chamber of commerce of the southern city feels that they deserve representation in the big leagues.

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## Opener Will Find Staters Underdogs Against Mariners

Eight Veterans On Starting Lineup for Gaters;  
Donnell, Kaufman, Nathan in Backfield;  
Fullback Undecided

When the State eleven starts the pigskin parade against Marin Junior College at 2:30 Saturday, eight veterans and three men who displayed enough ability to displace veterans will don helmets for the Gaters.

Although there are several possibilities of last minute changes in the State lineup, according to Coach Dave Cox, the following men are probable starters: Kaufman and Donnell, halfbacks; Nathan, quarter; Nickerson and Dierke, ends; Wall and Beers, tackles; Furst and Saadallah, guards, and Rudd, center.

Nolan Probable Starter

But which of the three fullbacks will get the call? The battle for the line-plunging job is still a toss-up between Walt Nolan and Ted Krieger, with Paul Gschwend exhibiting enough ability to keep them both working hard. Although Nolan has been playing with the so-called first string consistently, Krieger threatens to alter the situation before game time.

Halfbacks Ready

Ray Kaufman and George Donnell are almost certain to be the starting halfbacks due to their strong defensive play. Their positions are anything but certain; however, when it comes to offense, Heckman and Thaler, two new prospects, have no rivals when it comes to broken field running, and both will probably see action at Ewing Field.

There is little possibility of any change in the forward wall, which has improved steadily since the opening scrimmage. Al Furst and Ed Saadallah, State's stalwart guards, are earning the praise of the line coaches, Dan Farmer and Hal Harden, with a barrage of tackles unequalled by any other pair of linemen. Neither Ed nor Al weighs over 160 pounds, but when they tackle the runner stays tackled.

Mariners Strong

Coach "Scoop" Carlson boasts of a well-balanced team; the Marin eleven's only weakness lies in the left side of the line. Three letter men, Ross, Grady, and Wickstrom, give the right side plenty of strength, however.

The Marin backfield will probably provide State with considerable competition. Bill Brooks, triple-threat fullback, has been displaying some wonderful passing and kicking during scrimmage. The Gater ends will have their hands full in George Crapo, halfback; he is the trickiest and fastest man on the transbay squad. Martinovich, a mountain of strength on defense, completes the Marin backfield.

A great deal of secrecy surrounds Marin's daily practice sessions, and as Mr. Carlson is a new coach, the type of play to expect from the Mariners is unknown. Both of State's line coaches, Farmer and Harden, have been drilling the Gaters on several different formations in order to combat the unknown.

State Reserves Strong

State will have a great deal of reserve strength ready for action Saturday. The second string backfield is nearly as strong as the first, and there is little difference between the two lines. There have been only two minor casualties during practice. Walter Drysdale, veteran guard, injured his shoulder last week and Jimmy Morena, halfback, received a broken nose during the first scrimmage.

Marin J.C. Pos. State  
Ely ..... R.E.L. .... Dierke  
Ross ..... R.T.L. .... Wall  
Grady ..... R.G.L. .... Drysdale  
Wickstrom ..... C. .... Rudd  
Gibaldi ..... L.G.R. .... Saadallah  
Locke ..... L.T.R. .... Beers  
Walker ..... L.E.R. .... Nickerson  
Brooks ..... F. .... Nolan  
Crapo ..... L.H.R. .... Kaufman  
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### "Words, Idle Words, I Know Not What They Mean"

Misunderstanding and misinterpretation are the roots of practically all unsatisfactory social relationships. Fundamentally we are very much alike and tend towards harmonious actions and associations, but we merely tend towards—we don't accomplish, for we have no medium of communication which enables us to express and to depict this similarity in likes, beliefs, aims, and desires. We are incapable of truth. We must be content with partial expressions, with half-truths. We grope for words with which to express unphrasable ideas. Seldom do we find terms which, to us, carry the precise meaning, and when we do, we have no assurance that our words will be correctly interpreted.

In other words, the foregoing paragraph is not what we wished to say, and even if it were, you wouldn't understand it, for words have various connotations. It's a discouraging situation, and makes an editorial of this type seem futile. However, the fact that there is a certain depth of understanding which is expressible and the fact that we are continually obsessed with the desire to share thoughts and discoveries, have forced us to attempt this explanation. But it won't explain, nor will it satisfy those concerned in the controversies which form the subjects of the following editorial. However, we will be satisfied if it succeeds in conveying to a small degree the idea that our disagreements were not a matter of intolerance or lack of appreciation, but were the result of inadequate words.

### Pre-Registration

As Webster remarked, "When a mariner has been tossed for many days, in thick weather, on an unknown sea, he naturally avails himself of the first opportunity to take his latitude and ascertain how far the elements have driven him from his true course. Let us imitate his prudence."

We have become so heated in our assaults (pro and con) and censoring activities that we have lost sight not only of our goal—effective pre-registration—but also have forgotten our port of leave—the muddled, defective attempt at pre-registration which marked our recent opening. Storms of words have buffeted us from our course and obscured our vision. We must take a reading.

Pre-registration as an institution has not been censured. Nor has pre-registration as a potential solution to our registration difficulties. But pre-registration as it was enacted this fall at San Francisco State Teachers College has been, is being, and will be condemned as unsatisfactory.

Early registration was instituted as a means of eliminating the confusion and consequent delay which accompany the attempt to care for large numbers of students in inadequate quarters in a short length of time. Its purpose is to allow adequate time for consideration and planning of courses and also to spread the clerical work over a longer period. The intent is excellent, but unless it is carried out, the best intention is worthless.

Our claim therefore rests on this fact, that owing to changes in program, official alterations of schedule, the size of the group of new students who were not cared for before the beginning of the term, and the inadequate facilities at the disposal of the committee, the opening of the semester was marked by a disorder equal to that of any opening within our memory.

Pre-registration, then, was a failure and will continue to be a failure until improvements are made to overcome its insufficiencies. This has been our stand. We are not lacking in co-operation. We are endeavoring to criticize constructively, and will be the first to applaud improvements. So if we have seemed incorrigible it is merely that words have kept us from our real purpose.

### Co-Op Goes to State Legislature

After nine months of bewildered argument the parties concerned in the Co-op controversy have decided to "sheath their swords" and turn the matter over to a higher authority; a procedure which should have been resorted to at a much earlier date. This case is a prime example of the inadequacy of words. The opponents of the store confused the term non-legal with a similar though not synonymous term, illegal. The resulting confusion with its culmination in an appeal to Attorney-General U. S. Webb is a logical outcome.

The defenders, too, erred in their attempts to safeguard the store. A prompt understanding with the opposition would have alleviated the strained relationships, and the precarious position now occupied by our "student center" would have been avoided. But the factions were unable to get together and as a result we are forced to wait upon the convenience of the coming session of the state legislature in order to learn the fate of our most necessary establishment.

### Fluctuation Dominant Motive in Life of Man

One of the most essential facts in the human order of things is the universal and ever-present tendency towards change. There is no such thing as a static state of society. The world must either go forward or backward; advance or decline; progress or decay. As the acorn that either grows into a majestic oak or rots in the ground; as the blossom that burgeons into flower or wilts in the bloom; as the infant that grows into manhood or womanhood or else slips into oblivion, so it is with races, with peoples, with empires, with religions and with men.

In the light of such a concept, this question should be asked: "Are you prepared to 'make change'?" No, not change in nickels and dimes, but a change in thoughts and ideas—an exchange of old material for new. Rather, should I say, "Are you WILLING to make a change?" You might be in a position to, but hesitate to venture into the unknown—to set your ship afloat on uncharted seas.

"Only by looking shall you find." Only by daring shall you conquer. One realizes that it does take courage to deviate from the straight and narrow path of custom. But why not rid yourself of old unscientific superstitions and gain new scientific facts? Just because you have always done a thing does not mean that you always will have to.

Change is daily, universal and irrepressible. The very earth under our feet undergoes changes. Plants and animals about us make visible metamorphoses. The vicissitudes in a person's life are too numerous and too overwhelming to be accounted.

Therefore, with these changes before our very eyes, can we not expose the photographing lens of our mind in order to impress upon it other essential changes?

We have had our Stone Age, Wood Age, and Steel Age; now the present time might be aptly called the Scientific Age. Only by cultivating and preserving an open, unbiased mind can we profit to the fullest extent. Only by admitting the possibility of everything and anything occurring, can we progress to the heights of scientific achievement. With the advent of new discoveries, let us be ready to "make change."

### Apple Polish vs. Stratosphere

Man is flying high these days. Not content with jogging along the ether waves at the oh-so-ordinary level of air mail, he is making attempts to see just how high it is possible for him to go. In his air-tight, aluminum balloon, Professor Auguste Piccard, renowned Swiss scientist, last week broke the world's altitude record by ascending more than ten miles above sea level.

The matter of high flying, however, may not always be treated in a semi-humorous manner; it has a correlational, rather serious side. For, keeping pace with balloon ascensions into the stratosphere are the ascensions made, even this early in the term, by students into their instructors' esteem. This latter process of rising is currently known as "apple polish." That this time-honored custom of securing good grades is already well under way is evidenced by the fact that our popular male instructors have a very attentive group of co-eds in the front rows of their classes, and also by the fact that our equally popular female instructors have very many masculine "helping hands" who are always more than willing to aid "teacher" in any way she might desire.

It is seemingly a far cry from stratosphere ascensions to apple polish, but both risings have this point in common: they are a reaching from the lower to the higher—an evidence of the widespread dislike of staying on the level and of letting ascensions, both into the sky and into good grades, come in the proper time through hard work.

But, are these risings necessary for the benefit of the human race? Or do they bring merely transient pleasure and fame?

### Physical and Spiritual Rhythm in Literature

"But how will I be able to talk with my hands cut off?" pleaded an Arabian Nights character when about to have his hands amputated for some offense committed against hizzoner the Caliph. Dr. Arnesen would have been of a like mind. Precise gestures, that seem to mould and give distinction to his utterances, are an accompanying feature of Dr. Arnesen's nice rhetorical discrimination. Somehow, the dynamic appeal of his lectures would be lost if he should cease to grope for an ethereal characterization of his thoughts. Dr. Arnesen could be likened to an orchestra leader applying his art to literature. A harmony built from the persuasion of his tongue and hands applied to the minds—the instruments—of his class. Sometimes one may catch a glimpse of him from the hall window of a classroom. His voice cannot be heard, but his eloquence is there in his face and hands. A cynical smile, and a careless fling of a hand; or an intense expression and a careful and measured sweep of an arm—the personality of Dr. Arnesen is at work giving vitality to flabby words. That is it. It is not only what he says—it is how he says it. It is not the beauty of the Mona Lisa; it is how he makes one feel it—realize it. The flesh-and-blood Sandro Botticelli and Lorenzo Il Magnifico step into the classroom and introduce themselves; one does not dust off the bones of a Renaissance artist and patron.

Post-war literature students of the summer classes, especially one of them, will never forget his portrayal of a cruel and spiteful officer of the German forces. Likewise, members of his classes of a year and a half ago may remember his sore hand, and the terrific handicap he endured when attempting to draw a fine point without the aid of both hands.

## AROUND A. TOWN

### Cat and the Fiddle

Every so often it is proved that San Francisco's coldness to the legitimate theater extends only to indifferent plays or plays indifferently advertised. Such proof is offered by the success of the New York musical comedy, "The Cat and the Fiddle," now in its fifth week at the Curran.

The story—well, who cares about the story in musical comedy? The dialogue is decidedly above average, the music light, catchy, romantic—the whole production, in fact, a cocktail blended delicately of sentiment, humor, and ear-and-eye-filling beauty.

### Cast Excellent

It takes place in Brussels. Helen Gahagan, as Shirley Sheridan, American girl and popular composer, brings to the role her lovely soprano voice, charming personality, and acting ability. Paul Gregory, as Victor Floreanu, a Rumanian composer, has a rich baritone voice and looks and acts as a musical comedy leading man ought to look and act. Olga Bacalova, as a famous singer, is particularly good in a scene with Edgar Norton as a "silly-ass" Englishman, played in a jolting taxi cab. Inez Courtney and Mervyn Jensen, as the hoover sister-in-law and brother of Shirley, contribute delicious humor and some rather vigorous tap dancing. Armand Kalz, with his suave portrayal of the other man, Liana Galen as the cockney chambermaid who had "lost two countries and two husbands, and all she had left was her personality," and Sam Ash as Pompiereau, the street singer, who so adequately sang "The Night Was Made for Love," complete the list of important performances.

### Tunes Tantalizing

The songs which remain in our mind as most interesting are the romantic theme songs, "The Breeze Kissed Her Hair" and "Try to Forget," and the tantalizing "She Didn't Say Yes, She Didn't Say No."

### Symphony

Despite our disappointment of last week, as a result of a soloist undertaking the task of conducting a symphony orchestra, we are recommending that you attend the last performance of the Summer Symphony, tomorrow night. San Francisco welcomes the return of Alfred Hertz, especially in leading "The Prelude to Tristan and Isolde" of Wagner. Mr. Hertz is noted for his interpretation of the German composers. "Phaeton," symphonic tone-poem, by Saint-Saens, represents the French school, while the classical tone is given to the program by a Mozart "Rondo from Hanner's Serenade."

The familiar combination of Hans Leschke and Alfred Hertz will be heard in the Brahms "Song of Fate" presented by the San Francisco Municipal Chorus. The concluding number is the delicate "Scheherazade Suite," by Rimsky-Korsakov.

### Around the Exhibits

We spent a pleasant afternoon at the Legion of Honor, looking and, most amazing of all, appreciating the water-colors of Sotomayor, exponent of the Bolivian school. For rhythm and combination of colors, good balance of figures, and a nice sense of design, Sotomayor has achieved prominence. There was the usual collection of modern works by the California painters, who are holding their annual exhibit, but we failed to find anything outstanding about their canvases.

At the de Young Museum we recommend enthusiastically and without reserve the satirical lithographs, posters and drypoints of Henri Toulouse-Lautrec, and the stained glass windows of Mary Wesselhoef and James Cooper Wright. These are effectively arranged on black with a light background.

## BONFIRE RALLY



### Leaden Loaves

The "Leaden Loaves" column that has so recently been introduced to the editorial page of the Golden Gater is given over entirely to contributions received from the student body at large. The editor welcomes all selections submitted, with the suggestion that they are short and compiled with a certain degree of discretion and with the quality to incite general interest. That which will be printed may be in the form of poetry or as short bits of clever prose. All manuscripts should be mailed to Box 854 or 1195.

### GRASS

The summer grass grows long about my feet  
And bathes itself in hurrying floods of wind—  
The crystal living floor that, all unlimed,  
Makes clear the curling trees in rhythm fleet.  
Here where the hollow valley curves away  
Down stretches vague and far to vigorous hills  
Sprawled in the liquid sun, this green stuff fills  
With sheafs of nascent color the brown clay.

Rich, crumbling clay that knows itself alive  
In these thin blades—the evanescent foam  
Quick-sprung from fertile bodies deep in loam  
Which lend their fruitfulness that it may thrive.  
For deep within each body's fragile mesh  
Lies still the core of earth in springing flesh.

—A. F.

### HOMODEGREE

I want the sun—  
I like to revel richly in its embrace;  
I would shun  
All but one  
Pleasure to have it shine  
All the time  
And let me kiss its smiling face . . .  
But, ah, false hope,  
I want the moon to caress me too—  
I want the moon; I want the sun;  
I can't have two; I must take one.  
As thus I grope  
In blind emotion—  
Having one or having none,  
Lending my love to a double devotion—  
I cry to you both, "What shall I do?"

D.

## T. N. T.

### Whadda You Mean, Even?

Dear T.N.T.:

Now that we insignificant males have at last been shown some attention in regards to our shower room, there is nothing more we can ask for except a few minor things such as more room, more showers, more lockers, and more attention. Add to that list a sanitary drinking system and you will know exactly what we want. Having to drink from the fountain in the wash bowl, over which every State man combs his hair at least once a day, is enough to make any self-respecting young man kick to the board of health, or even to T.N.T. Everyone knows that dust and dandruff fly when you comb your hair and that soap flies when you wash your hands (if you use soap). Then why should the poor unsuspecting drinking fountain have to be placed so that it must serve as a trap for all of State's dust, dandruff, falling hair, and flying soap?

—A Health Lover.

### Don't Criticize the Editor

Dear T.N.T.:

Why do we have to accept "Cal. grads" who have not "made the grade" for the fifth year over at the university?

They come here and make themselves disliked by remaining in cliques and by looking down on us as "babes".

More than one experienced teacher who attended the last summer session asked me why we allowed them to come. They criticize us for our invalidism and remain apart from us. Yet we allow them to come here and get a degree which will enable them to teach, taking the jobs away from us.

### What the Heck!

Mr. Editor:

I've bin wonderin'—you don't mind, do you?—well, I've bin wonderin' about all these here FRESHMEN. It's a mighty task to wonder about them—cause there is a right smart lot of 'em. Anyhow, it seems to me there are when they come bustin' pell-mell into a classroom before we have a chance to get out after the bell rings—which says this hour has come to an end and it's time to get ready to go bother some other prof. I guess maybe some profs are popular, but it seems to me—

just an idea, you see—but it seems to me that we should get out before they come chargin' in. Do you suppose it is because they have a lot of belief in such poetry as the Light Brigade's Charge or Roushan Beg's Leap? Or do you suppose it is a lack of chairs for these people? Or—well, what do you suppose it is now that makes humans want to rush in through a door before us people get out?

Yours,  
—Bin Wonderin'.

### Use Your "Scenter."

To the upper division women of the physical education department:

This is a plea, short and simple, for help. As a favor to two "freshies" and other incoming "freshies", we ask that you render this little service to us. Please, we beg of you, place in some conspicuous spot the whereabouts of the so-called "center". After a hectic search up and down Valencia Street which brought to our eyesight no "center", we ask you, please, please, give us this little break. (Signed)

—Two Lost "Freshies".

## BAKER'S OVEN

By DAN C. BAKER

LEFTOVERS. Many a poor guy is just gargling at this fountain of knowledge instead of drinking therefrom. . . . If men are known by their works, some "statesmen" will be remembered by the gas works. . . . Pity the guy who thinks this seat of learning is a chesterfield. . . . It would take more than wrapping in cellophane to keep fresh some of the jokes that are now being passed around. . . . A lot of people who think they are hard-boiled only have unusually thick skulls. . . . Count that day lost. . . . When low descending sun finds somewhere a funny column Without a single pun.

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IMITATIONS. As Prattletale Winchell might conduct Baker's Oven:

"Thinks I Never Noddled Now." Pimento and pimento are two entirely different spices. "Barbary Coast" is the name for the Moslem countries on the north coast of Africa.

George Washington did not use tobacco in any form. Marriages between uncles and nieces and aunts and nephews are prohibited by statute in every state in the Union. The average Pullman car weighs 72 tons.

Kate Smith has gone Paramount for a big radio picture. Margaret Petray is going to center-aisle it right soon in Stockton.

As Brisbane might conduct Baker's Oven:

The so-called depression is here; but fundamentally our country is no different: we still have our health. Children still wake each morning trusting in their parents' love; the marriage clerks are still occupied. Americans are fundamentally sound and no pretty thing such as 10 millions or more out of work will shake our faith. Education is one thing which remains steadfast. America's birthright is to think! This birthright all real Americans refuse to sell for a mess of (depression) potage.

As Oscar Odd McIntyre perhaps would do it:

With its dirty gray painted walls, College Hall stands dozing in the memories of when it was the home of a real normal school. The hallways creak a rhythm of departed footsteps when in solitude. The windows rattle in memory of the girlish laughter that once floated out of them. But like an old lady troubled with bad dreams and rheumatism it seems now to rumble and twitch with a senile motion. But the golden glory of its younger days is with it yet, like the outmoded, moth-worn clothes of a decrepit Howard street hag. Grimly it stands, sleepily realizing that the end is near. Yet it has lived a happy life and calmly awaits the final, unkindly of the unsympathetic and frivolous younger generations who trip lightly by, not realizing theirs is the same fate.

Or as K.C.B. might do it:  
I strolled . . . across the campus . . . and saw . . . a little bird . . . it was . . . Jimmie W. S. . . looking Brisbane . . . at a couple of frosh . . . They were impressed . . . just then a vision in white came around the corner . . . and the bird flew away . . .

But after all, the aforesaid can't hold a candle to old "Human Interest" John Bruce. He perhaps would tell this story:

San Francisco's waterfront is filled with interesting stories. We heard this one the other day as we were eating in a quaint little sailor's chop house on the Embarcadero. It seems the skipper and the chief engineer got into an argument as to which officer was more important. They decided to trade jobs to find out. So the engineer went up on the bridge and the captain to the boiler room. A few hours later the voice of the latter came up the telephone. "Say, the engines are all burning up down here."

"Well, don't worry about it, the ship's been stuck in the mud for the last half hour."

ERROR. Printers are supposed to know the this and that of English and when something like the following gleaned from a printers' trade journal comes to view, we wonder just WHAT: This was stumbled onto in a current issue of "The Pacific Printer and Publisher," a nationally recognized authority; they were speaking of the need for economies in the weekly newspaper composing room. "At the same time there is the keen realization that there must be no letting down of interest or good appearance of the newspaper in order that the standing and usefulness of the newspaper be not unimpaired." So what?